

Claim 3, line 2, after "wherein each of the", the words -- plurality of -- has been inserted.

Claim 7, line 8, after "selecting each of the", the words -- plurality of -- has been inserted.

Claim 7, line 17, after "use of one of the", the words -- plurality of -- has been inserted.

Claim 7, line 20, after "monitoring which of the", the words -- plurality of -- has been inserted.

Claim 17, line 3, the letter -- a -- has been inserted before "processing circuitry",

Line 5
Claims 17_^ and 18, line 2, the word "defined" has been replaced with -- claimed --.

Claims 19 and 20, line 1, the word "defined" has been replaced with -- as claimed --.

Reason for Allowance

5. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The prior art of record in combination neither teaches nor renders obvious a method of determining an amount of phase shift of a reference clock signal for use in sampling a data signal skewed relative to the reference clock comprising: aligning a training pattern with training data in the data signal; using a sampling clock signal based on the reference clock signal to sample the data signal and advance the training pattern; comparing the advancing training pattern to the data signal samples until the training pattern is complete or until a lack of correspondence between the training pattern and a data

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EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

The application has been amended as follows:

At page 100, line 3 (Claim 1, line 2), after "characterized" please insert – in that –

At page 100, line 5 (Claim 1, line 4), after "consisting" please insert – of –

At page 100, line 21 (Claim 2, line 2), after "characterized" please insert – in that –

At page 100, line 23 (Claim 2, line 4), after "consisting" please insert – of –

At page 102, line 18 (Claim 9, line 3), please delete "kind of a"

At page 103, line 3 (Claim 11, line 3), please delete "kinds of"

At page 103, line 7 (Claim 12, line 2), after "to" please insert – be –

At page 103, line 22 (Claim 16, line 3), please delete "kinds of"

At page 104, line 1 (Claim 17, line 3), please delete "-like"

At page 104, line 2 (Claim 17, line 4), please delete "-like"

At page 104, line 22 (Claim 23, line 2), please delete "comprises" and insert – comprise –

At page 104, line 23 (Claim 23, line 5), please delete "-like"

At page 105, line 6 (Claim 24, line 3), please delete "type"

At page 105, line 12 (Claim 24, line 9), please delete "-like"

At page 105, line ¹³~~12~~ (Claim 24, line 10), please delete "-like"

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